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New U.S. Utility Patent Application  
For: **ENDOSCOPIC APPARATUS AND METHOD**  
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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified patent application:

1. Specification containing forty pages (40) including Abstract, three independent claims and sixty (60) claims total.
2. Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet and executed Assignment to Scimed Life Systems, Inc.
3. Declaration and Power of Attorney.
4. Drawings – Fifteen (15) sheets of informal drawings.
5. Three checks totaling \$1500.00: two checks totaling \$1406.00 representing a \$740.00 filing fee, a \$666.00 extra claims fee for 37 claims, and a \$54.00 extra claims fee for three additional claims (for a total of \$720.00 for 40 extra claims); and one check for \$40.00 for recording the Assignment.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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